

December 8, 1999

D.T.E. 99-7

Petition of Nantucket Electric Company for approval by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy of a Cable Surcharge to become effective on January 1, 2000.

On November 30, 1999, Nantucket Electric Company ("Nantucket" or "Petitioner") filed a proposed cable facilities surcharge ("CFS") with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") to become effective on January 1, 2000. The CFS is calculated annually based on estimated costs and kilowatt-hour sales, which are reconciled to actual amounts in the following annual CFS filing.

The Department will hold a public hearing on the above-captioned application at its offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 on Tuesday, December 28, 1999 at

10:00 a.m.

A copy of Nantucket's filing is available for inspection at the Department's offices in Boston at the address noted above. In addition, Nantucket's filing is also available for public viewing at the Petitioner's offices at Nantucket Electric Company, 2 Fairgrounds Road, Nantucket - please contact James E. Joynt at 508-325-8214.

Nantucket is required to give notice of said hearing by publication hereof once at least ten (10) days prior to December 28, 1999 in the Boston Globe. In addition, Nantucket is also required to give notice of this hearing in the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror. Also, the Petitioner shall notify all intervenors in D.P.U. 95-67 of this proposed CFS adjustment at least ten days in advance of the public hearing.

Any person who desires to state his or her position on this matter may do so at the time and place noted above. In addition, any person who wishes to submit written comments may do so by filing an original and three (4) copies of such comments with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, no later than the close of business, December 28, 1999.

Any person, however, who desires to participate in an evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file an original and three (3) copies of a written petition for leave to intervene or to participate in the proceeding no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) Thursday, December 23, 1999 with: Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at the address noted above.

A petition to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R.

§ 1.03. Receipt by the Department--not mailing-- constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A late-filed petition may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown under 220 C.M.R. § 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under

220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, §10.

Nantucket shall also make return of service and publication at the time of the hearing.

By Order of the Department,

MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY